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INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION HANDLING COMMITTEE
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Office of the Chairman

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Current Intelligence, CIA

SUBJECT   : Appreciation of Assistance to USIB/IHC by

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1. The USIB Intelligence Information Handling Committee (IHC) is preparing an Inventory of Intelligence Data Handling Systems for general community reference. In order to design the form and content of this compendium so as to be most useful to production analysts, we sought assistance from [   ]f your office.

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2. They participated in a community working group to describe the substantive content of the Inventory and to point out what technical capabilities of data systems should be reported on in order to give analysts an understanding of how to use research tools available to them.

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3. [   ] worked with members of the staff of the OTR Information Science Center, the USIB/IHC Staff, and the DIA Information Processing Division. They brought to this group their fine technical backgrounds and intelligence analysis experience, and made major contributions to the accomplishment of the group.

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4. [   ] made an important further contribution by taking over, with one associate from DIA, the task of designing the data input formats that are the backbone of the data call for intelligence file and program descriptions. The task required both skill in designing catalog entries, resourcefulness in defining the data elements and codes, and a sound knowledge of how these entries are to be handled by ADP equipment.

5. We greatly appreciate the contribution of OCI through the assistance from these two fine people in this community project. I ask that you make this letter a part of their records in the Office of Personnel.

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Acting Chairman

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